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PORTSMOUTH COMMONWEALTH'S ATTORNEY'S OFFICE APPOINTED AS SPECIAL PROSECUTOR IN OFFICER-INVOLVED SHOOTING IN HOPEWELL CITY – VSP PRELIMINARY REPORT RECEIVED – INVESTIGATION ONGOING

PORTSMOUTH, VA – Upon the recusal of the Hopewell Commonwealth's Attorney from the investigation of an officer-involved shooting that occurred in the city of Hopewell on December 18, 2018, the Portsmouth Commonwealth's Attorney's Office was appointed as a special prosecutor. Our office received the preliminary results of the Virginia State Police (VSP) investigation into the matter on May 9, 2019. We will review the status of the investigation to date and determine if any additional investigative work from VSP is required. As a result, the investigation is still ongoing, and an update will follow upon its conclusion.

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